

Virginia Green Restaurant Profile:



Deja Brew Coffee HouseGainesville, Virginia

Virginia Green is the Commonwealth of Virginia's campaign to promote environmentally-friendly practices is all aspects of Virginia's tourism industry. Virginia Green has established "core activities" specific to each sector of tourism, and these practices are considered the required minimum for participation in the program. However, Virginia Green encourages its participants to reduce their environmental impacts in all aspects of their operations; and this profile provides a full list of all their "green" activities. These are the activities that guests / customers can expect to find when they visit this facility.

Deja Brew Coffee House

"Coffee house specializing in hand pulled espresso, specialty coffees and teas, and 100% crushed fruit smoothies."

Green Statement: "Our industry has the potential to create a large amount of waste. We wanted to minimize the impact our shop has on the environment."

CORE ACTIVITIES for Restaurants

"In this symbol indicates a <u>required activity</u> for Virginia Green Restaurant facilities. Participants self-certify that they activities are in place and they provide additional specifics on other activities. Visitors to can expect the following practices:

- Recycling and Waste Reduction. Virginia Green Restaurant must recycle Glass Bottles and are highly encouraged to maintain a comprehensive recycling program. This restaurant pledges that they:
 - Recycle: glass, plastic, toner cartridges, newspaper, cardboard, fluorescent lamps
 - Track overall waste bills
 - Have an effective food inventory control system that minimizes wastes
 - Use water pitchers and filtered water to minimize single use bottles
 - Use a screen-based ordering systems
 - Use bulk soap dispensers in public restrooms
 - Purchase recycled content paper towels and toilet tissue
 - Use a last-in/first-out inventory and labeling system
 - Use electronic correspondence and forms
 - Use "green" cleaners dispensed in bulk
 - Purchase durable equipment and furniture
 - Use latex paint
 - Perform preventative maintenance on all appliances, HVAC system, plumbing and vehicles
 - Use less toxic materials
- Styrofoam/Disposables Minimization. Participants are encouraged to minimize use of all disposables and eliminate the use of Styrofoam products for take-out and left-overs. This restaurant pledges that they:
 - Use disposable containers made from bio-based materials, recycled content paper, and that are compostable and/or recyclable

- Grease Recycling. The facility must collect and recycle grease or use a grease filtering company to greatly reduce grease waste (and cost). This restaurant pledges that they:
 - Do not use grease
- **Water Conservation.** The facility must have a plan for conserving water that should consider plumbing modifications and landscaping. This restaurant pledges that they:
 - Perform preventative maintenance to stop drips and leaks
 - Discourage water-based cleanup (sweeping first) and use microfiber technology mops
- **☑** Energy Conservation. The facility must have a plan in place that encourages replacement of lighting and equipment to energy-efficient alternatives. This restaurant pledges that they:
 - Use:
 - compact fluorescent light bulbs in all rooms and in canned lighting
 - ceiling fans
 - Have high efficiency heating & air conditioning (HVAC) systems
 - Perform preventative maintenance on HVAC system
 - Use natural lighting
 - Purchase EnergyStar-rated computers, copiers, and appliances

For more information on **Deja Brew Coffee House**, see www.dejabrewcoffeehouse.com or contact Dionne Sayin at dejabrewgainesville@gmail.com or 703-754-7784.

For more information on *Virginia Green* program, see <u>www.deq.virginia.gov/p2/virginiagreen</u> or <u>www.virginiagreentravel.org.</u>



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